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REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

ANOTHER DUBLIN OUTRAGE.

SINN FEINERS ATTACK VICEREGAL LODGE.

AN OFFICER AND ATTACKER KILLED.

London, December 28.

A dozen Sinn Feiners attacked the Viceroyal Lodge, Dublin, this morning. A Guards officer and one of the attackers were killed.

Later.

An officer and an attacker were shot dead in a conflict between an officer who was with two soldiers and the Sinn Feiners. Four men were arrested on suspicion when leaving Phoenix Park.

The dead civilian is named Carey and was recently treated in hospital for injuries to the head. It appears that Lieutenant Boast and three soldiers met a man bandaged round the head on the main road in Phoenix Park. He was challenged but continued to advance and caught Lieut. Boast by the throat and shot him through the heart. The patrol immediately shot the assailant.

EX-GERMAN EAST AFRICA.

TRANSFERENCE OF PROVINCES TO GREAT BRITAIN.

Brussels, December 28.

The *Independence Belge* states that the Belgian Colonial Minister is at present in London in order to arrange for the transference to Britain of the Bukoba and Ujiji Provinces of German East Africa, which will be administered by Britain on behalf of the League of Nations. The Minister is also negotiating with a view to securing for Belgian subjects equally favourable rates on the railways of ex-German East Africa as to British subjects.

THE INDIAN FIGHTING.

DETAILS OF THE LATEST MOVEMENTS.

London, December 28.

Telegrams from the Indian Frontier, covering events to December 25 show that the enemy attacks were unsuccessful. Fifty tribesmen fired on a British picket on the night of December 23 between Khirgi and Jandola, but were driven off. An attack by thirty of the enemy near the Derajat Column camp on the evening of December 24 was repulsed. The movements of the Derajat Column continued unopposed, and on December 25 considerable numbers of the enemy were seen in the hills to the westward and were dispersed by British fire. British aircraft bombed Kopka, which was recently the centre of the hostile concentration.

THE BOLSHEVIST FIGHTING.

GENERAL DENIKEN LOSES VALUABLE POINTS.

London, December 28.

The latest Bolshevist communique report that General Deniken has lost the railway junction of Fastoff, the keypoint to Ukraine, the large town of Kremenchug and also Slaviansk and Lugansk. The capture of the last-named town seems to indicate that Denikin no longer completely possesses the Donetz coalfield, the chief source of coal in Russia, the occupation of which will be very valuable to the Bolshevists, who are short of fuel.

CONDITIONS IN EGYPT.

GENERAL IMPROVEMENT IN THE SITUATION.

London, December 29.

The *Daily Mail* correspondent at Cairo has interviewed Field Marshal Allenby, who said conditions in Egypt were now generally improving and he hoped that Lord Milner's Commission would indicate a solution of the problems, ensuring maximum benefits for Egyptians. He declared that the Commission was prepared to hear every view most fully and said the unrest in Egypt was a symptom of the restiveness under authority which was manifest in many parts of the world as a result of the war. Many responsible Egyptians were ready to work alongside the British for the development of the country.

CONFLICT BETWEEN ARABS AND FRENCH.

HEAVY CASUALTIES ON BOTH SIDES.

London, December 29.

The *Times* correspondent at Cairo says a telegram from Damascus reports a severe encounter between Arab volunteer and French troops at Bealbak, with heavy casualties on both sides.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

FIGHTING IN EGYPT.

London, Dec. 27.

The "Times" correspondent at Cairo says that in view of the restlessness displayed by various tribes in Sudan, which had attacked British posts near Tomba, killing twelve, Major White, commanding the Equatorial Battalion reconnoitred from Tomba. He was attacked on 15th Nov. by a large force of the Alab tribe, which was repelled after severe fighting, with heavy enemy losses. Our losses were seven killed and nine wounded. Major White was joined by Major Stigand, Governor of Mongalla Province, with half a company, and proceeded to clear up the country. Details are unknown but on 13 Dec. a mutilated telegram was received reporting that a thousand of the enemy on Dec. 8 attacked an advanced guard column. Fierce handfighting ensued. Majors White and Stigand with 22 bankers and four carriers were killed. The enemy was driven off and the column returned to Tomba with the wounded and baggage.

TREATY OF VERSAILLES.

Paris, Dec. 28.

Conferences between the Allied and German delegates in view of the adoption of preparatory administrative measures for enforcing the Treaty of Versailles commence at the beginning of next week. General Lerond presides over the Allied delegation and Herr Simson over the German delegation. The British and Italian delegates are expected in Paris on Monday.

Paris circles hope that a United States compromise making ratification of the Treaty of Versailles possible will be accepted soon, based on the programme of reserves called the Lodge Programme which will be accepted by the Democrats.—Havas.

FRANCE WANTS OIL.

Paris, Dec. 28.

A note issued in Paris says various arrangements in view of continuous Franco-British co-operation regarding petroleum were made by the French liquid fuel controller subject to ratification by the Premiers of France and Great Britain. M. Berthelot, director of the French Fuel Office, has concluded conversations on Turkey with the British Ministers, one of the main objects of the visit being to discuss an agreement between the respective Governments as to the disposal of the Mesopotamian oil wells. The French Government would be glad to be given possession of part of these oil properties.—Havas.

REDUCTION OF FRENCH SUGAR RATION.

Paris, Dec. 28.

The Food Controller issues a warning that a temporary reduction of the sugar ration may be necessary at an early date in order to defeat what appears to be a concerted action on the part of producers to take advantage of the general position by raising prices, for early deliveries, not less than six or seven times pre-war level.

INDIAN FRONTIER TROUBLES.

London, Dec. 28.

It is now confirmed that the enemy losses on 21st Dec. were over two hundred Mahads and thirty Waziris killed. In some sections of Tochi the Waziris failed to comply with the terms imposed by the date fixed. According to unconfirmed reports the Wana Waziris are returning home owing to shortage of rations. Gangs of Haradis three hundred strong looted Braband on 21st Dec. Some of the raiders were killed.

AUSTRALIAN FLIGHT VICTIM.

London, Dec. 27.

The body of Airman Howell has been recovered and buried at Corfu. The mechanic's body has not yet been found.

Sydney, Dec. 27.

Capt. Ross Smith abandoned the Trans-Australian flight at Charleville, Queensland, owing to the crank-arm breaking.

U. S. A. AND JAPAN.

New York, Dec. 27.

A Vladivostok message dated Dec. 18 states that the Japanese Official Publicity Bureau announces that the United States and Japan have reached a common ground on which "joint action in Siberia will be based."

AMERICAN RAILROADS.

Washington, Dec. 22.

President Wilson has announced that the railroads will be returned to private ownership on 1st March.

VISCOUNT GREY'S RETURN.

Washington, Dec. 27.

Viscount Grey sails from New York on Jan. 2nd.

(Other Telegrams on Page 2 and 3.)

EARLIER SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(From Our Own Correspondents.)

STORMY WEATHER AT SHANGHAI.

Shanghai, Dec. 28.

One hundred outgoing passengers by the Empress were unable to board the steamer at Woosung owing to rough weather. Three attempts were unsuccessful. Another will be made to-morrow morning. There has been a cold wave here, the thermometer reaching 18deg. A serious wind storm has damaged property. There were eight fires in eight hours to-day.

TO-DAY'S CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

THE FOOCHOW INCIDENT.

Shanghai, December 29.

The Special Commissioner from the Foreign Ministry investigating the Foochow incident has wired that the investigation is completed, and has requested that the evacuation of warships be the first step before the negotiations begin.

MONGOLIAN AFFAIRS.

Shanghai, December 29.

In reply to a telegram from Kwai Fook, the Chief Commissioner in the Eastern Mongolian States, the President said that the Government gratefully accepts the loyalty shown by the Princes to the Central Government in cancelling autonomy, but they should send representatives with a formal declaration to Peking for the purpose of promulgation.

NORTH V. SOUTH.

Shanghai, December 29.

In an interview with the President, Liang Shih-ye explained what he had done in regard to mediation between the North and South. He urged the formation of a Coalition to deal with national affairs instead of relying on the Peace Conference alone.

COURT SCENE.

A CHAUFFEUR FAINTS.

An unlooked-for occurrence took place at the Magistracy this morning when the traffic summonses brought by Inspector Garrod were being heard. The driver of Mr. Geo. Grimbles' motor-car was summoned for driving without lights in Queen's Road East at 7.40 p.m. on the 11th instant. Whilst the summons was being heard by the Magistrate, the defendant suddenly dropped down in a fainting fit and had to be carried out of the Court, where he revived. Under the circumstances, the summons was not proceeded with, a discharge being ordered by the Magistrate.

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Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.

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THURSDAY JANUARY 1ST.

Opening of Repulse Bay Hotel—3 p.m. Ball at 9 p.m.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

The closing rate of the dollar, on demand, to-day was 4s.10 3/4d.

THE WEATHER.

Forecast—fine. Barometer—30.31. Temperature 2 p.m.—35. Humidity 2 p.m.—28.

LOCAL BOXING.

THE NEXT BOUTS.

It has been decided to hold the next tournament of the Boxing Association on Friday, January 9th, and Saturday, January 10th. Special matches will be held for the purpose and the site will be duly advertised.

On the first night the preliminary bouts will be contested in the Novices' Competition contests, for which there are 40 entries.

On the second night the semi-finals and finals in the competition will be fought, and in addition to this there will be a principal event between Sampan Parsons, of H.M.S. Ambrose, and "Sky" Kerrison, of the Naval Yard Police—a 15-round contest for the Welter-Weight Championship of the Colony.

The entries in the Novices' Competition are for Middle Weights, Welter Weights, Light Weights and Feather Weights.

The judges will be Colonel Loring, Major Rapson, Lt. Ansell and Lt. Dickinson.

The referees will be Messrs. H. J. Gage, W. Logan, A. Murdoch, and Mc Card.

Prizes in the novices competition will be cups, one for the winner and another for the runner-up.

The winner in the weights will receive a medal.

DAY BY DAY.

On the way to Hongkong from Bilbao a Chinese passenger on board the Kiyu Maru died of beri-beri.

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GENERAL NIVELLE'S FAILURE.

WHY THE 1917 OFFENSIVE
WAS STOPPED.
By MAJOR-GEN. SIR
F. MAURICE.

The political campaign which precedes a General Election has begun in France. It has opened with an embittered controversy concerning the failure of General Nivelle's campaign in the spring of 1917. M. Briand was Prime Minister of France when Joffre was removed from the command of the French armies and Nivelle was installed in his place, but before Nivelle's campaign began the Briand Government had fallen and was succeeded by that of M. Ribot, with M. Painlevé as War Minister. Now the suggestion is that the Ribot Government, and particularly M. Painlevé, interfered with General Nivelle's plans, stopped his offensive, and thereby prevented us from winning the war in 1917.

Commandant Cremieux, a well-known French military writer, has, in a book which he calls "L'Offensive de 1919," presented the case for General Nivelle. He has been furnished with a large number of secret documents, the reports of conferences of Allied Ministers, correspondence between the French and British Governments, and even between the War Office and Sir Douglas Haig.

M. Painlevé anticipated the publication of this book by a speech in the French Chamber, which from our point of view is quite unexceptionable, and he has now followed this up by a much fuller statement in "La Renaissance Politique, Littéraire, Économique," which contains accounts of other secret correspondence and conferences, with the result that what is popularly known as the secret history of the war in the first half of 1917 has been very thoroughly disclosed.

We are naturally not concerned with French politics, and with the quarrels of French politicians, but there is much to be learned from the French and British Governments' book and in M. Painlevé's article which affects both our own Government and our own generals. Commandant Cremieux bitterly attacks both M. Painlevé and General Petain, the former on the ground of political interference, the latter because of his unwillingness to attack. He quotes a long dispatch from M. Briand to Mr. Lloyd George, bluntly accusing Sir Douglas Haig of endeavouring to evade the terms of the agreement reached at Calais on February 26-27, 1917, which placed the general direction of the forthcoming campaign in the hands of General Nivelle. This accusation is very easily refuted. Before doing that, however, I wish to dispose of one matter in which I personally figure somewhat prominently.

Nivelle's campaign opened on April 9, with the attack of Allenby's 3rd Army and of Byng's Canadians, of Horn's 1st Army, east of Arras, and against the Vimy Ridge. The battle of Arras was by far the most conspicuous success we had up till then won in the war. Allenby rolled up a good part of the northern arm of the famous Hindenburg line, Byng carried the whole of the Vimy Ridge, against which the repeated and valiant assaults of Foch's veterans had beaten in vain in 1915.

By April 15th we had captured 15,000 prisoners and 228 guns and were advancing along both banks of the Scarpe and into the plain east of the Vimy Ridge. Ludendorff, in his "War Memories," sums up the situation from his point of view: "The battle of Arras on April 9th was a bad beginning for the decisive struggle of this year." "A day like April 9th threw all calculations to the winds."

Then on April 16th the great French attack between Reims and Soissons began. At the end of the second day of the battle the results obtained had fallen very far short of expectations, and the losses had been heavy.

It is notorious that both Mr. Lloyd George and M. Painlevé wished at all costs to avoid a long, slow struggle such as had taken place in the battle of the Somme. Mr. Lloyd George in the famous Paris speech talked of our "bloody assaults of the Somme" and of our "hammering against the impenetrable barrier in the West." M. Painlevé makes it clear that he was in general agreement with Mr. Lloyd George, and of our "hammering against the impenetrable barrier in the West." M. Painlevé makes it clear that he was in general agreement with Mr. Lloyd George, and of our "hammering against the impenetrable barrier in the West." M. Painlevé makes it clear that he was in general agreement with Mr. Lloyd George, and of our "hammering against the impenetrable barrier in the West."

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myself on behalf of the Chief of the Imperial General Staff: London, April 18, 1917.
The Prime Minister has informed me to-day, April 18, that he has had a conversation with M. Thomas, the French Minister of Munitions, and that the latter told him that the French War Cabinet was determined not to become engaged in a prolonged struggle with the enemy, such as had taken place during the battle of the Somme, unless the French operations now in progress give, during the first few days of the battle, a promise of important material gains at an early date.
The Prime Minister has given me to understand that the views of the French Government were that the state of French effectiveness does not allow of their incurring heavy losses, that time was now on the side of the Entente, since it would permit the Russians to recover from the effects of the

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.
SCAPA FLOW SINKINGS.

Paris, Dec. 26.
The Allies have replied to the German note insisting upon signature of the protocol in its present form and reaffirming the Allied readiness to reduce the amount of floating material to form the Scapa Flow indemnity if it is shown that vital economic interests justify such reduction. Nevertheless the reply points out that the Allies have learned that floating docks, cranes, and lugs have been recently sold and gives notice that if the view of the economic position of Germany is as stated by the German delegates the Allies do not recognize such sales. The note rejects the German proposal to substitute for the five small cruisers mentioned in the protocol five others under construction and states that directly the protocol is signed all German officers and men interned as a result of the Scapa Flow affair will be liberated except those who are charged with war crimes.

SCAPA FLOW INCIDENT.
EFFECT OF PROHIBITION.

London, Dec. 26.
The "National News" states that it has been decided that the German warships which were scuttled at Scapa Flow are to be blown up early next year in the presence of the Allied Naval Commission.
New York, Dec. 26.
The latest figures show at least 137 dead and 169 blind and in danger of dying as a result of drinking wood alcohol since the introduction of prohibition.

ODESSA IN DANGER.

Constantinople, Dec. 27.
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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

EX-GERMAN SHIPS.

Washington, Dec. 26.
By direction of President Wilson, the ex-German ships loaned to the United States, namely the Graf Waldersee, Zepherin, Pretoria, and the Prinz Friedrich Wilhelm and the Regatta Victoria have been returned to Britain.

GERMAN STEEL MAKES CRIME.

Amiens, Dec. 27.
The German steel magnate, who has been court martialled on a charge of desertion, the great ironworks of eastern France and has been sentenced to ten years imprisonment and a fine of £200,000.

REPARATION AND INDEMNITY.

New York, Dec. 27.
The German Finance Minister in an interview with an American journalist declared that Germany can and will pay within a year twenty billion marks as reparation and indemnity.

FLOODS IN ALSACE.

Paris, Dec. 28.
The floods in Alsace are assuming alarming dimensions. The low lying country near Strasbourg is nothing but an enormous lake. Extensive damage is reported and many villages are completely inundated. Iron bridges have been swept away and railway traffic is interrupted in almost the whole of the Vosges valley, several people being drowned.

CHRISTMAS REVELRY.

Paris, Dec. 26.
Paris revelled to its heart's content and prices soared very high, without check, on the night of the 26th when all over Paris—Havre.

MARRIAGE FUELLAR.

Paris, Dec. 28.
People are getting married everywhere in France. In pre-war times the marriage licence at Lille was 2,200 annually; this year it has increased to 4,000.—Havre.

DUTCH BOMB CANARD.

The Hague, Dec. 27.
It is semi-officially stated that the report that Holland was about to concede Dutch claims to Great Britain was entirely without foundation.

BIG FIRE IN FRANCE.

Marseilles, Dec. 28.
Marseilles Railway Station has been destroyed by fire. The damage is estimated at several millions francs.

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GENERAL NEWS.

AUSTRALIAN WOMAN FLIER.
Miss McMaugh, an Australian, after only a month's training, passed her tests at the Central Aircraft Company's aerodrome at Northolt recently and received the Royal Aero Club's pilot certificate. It is claimed that she is the first Australian woman to take the certificate.

FIGHT AGAINST DRIFT SAND.
Rhyl proposes to spend £25,000 on a scheme of promenade improvements, designed chiefly to check drift sand. At a Government inquiry it was said that Rhyl now spends a 7d. rate annually on removing drift sand. The present proposal would not cost a 9d. rate, and besides would provide sources of revenue.

ANIMAL LOVER'S WILL.
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Washington, Dec. 26.
By direction of President Wilson seven ex-German ships loaned to the United States after the armistice, namely the Graf Waldersee, Zeppelin, Pretoria, Cap Finisterre, Mobile, Prinz Friedrich Wilhelm and Kaiserin Auguste Victoria have been returned to Britain.

GERMAN STEEL MAGNATE'S CRIME.

Amiens, Dec. 27.
The German steel magnate Röchling has been court-martialed on a charge of destroying the great ironworks of eastern France and has been sentenced to ten years imprisonment and a fine of £400,000.

REPARATION AND INDEMNITY.

New York, Dec. 27.
The German Finance Minister in an interview with an American journalist declared that Germany can and will pay within a year twenty billion marks as reparation and indemnity.

FLOODS IN ALSACE.

Paris, Dec. 28.
The floods in Alsace are assuming alarming dimensions. The low lying country near Strasbourg is nothing but an enormous lake. Extensive damage is reported and many villages are completely inundated. Iron bridges have been swept away and railway traffic is interrupted in almost the whole of the Vosges valley, several people being drowned.

CHRISTMAS REVELRY.

Paris, Dec. 28.
Paris revelled to its heart's content and prices soared very high, without check, on the merry makers who were all over Paris.—Havas.

MARRIAGE POPULAR.

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People are getting married everywhere in France. In pre-war times the marriage average at Lille was 2,500 annually; this year it has increased to 4,000.—Havas.

DUTCH BORNEO CANARD.

The Hague, Dec. 27.
It is semi-officially stated that the report that Holland was about to concede Dutch Borneo to Great Britain was entirely without foundation.

BIG FIRE IN FRANCE.

Marseilles, Dec. 28.
Marseilles Railway Station has been destroyed by fire. The damage is estimated at several million francs.

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SENSIBLE SUGGESTIONS.

If the resolutions which are to be moved at the next meeting of the Legislative Council by the Hon. Mr. Pollock are indicative of a fresh outburst of activity by the Constitutional Reform Association, of which he is the President, the community will appreciate the circumstance. For all too long a period, the body named has remained quiescent. Quite wisely, and with the approval of all concerned, the Association decided not to press its claim for constitutional reform during the war, it being felt that the time was not opportune for raising an issue of that kind when there were far weightier matters engaging the attention of the Imperial authorities. But, as we have before pointed out, the Association's objects include, besides this, the giving of attention to matters of local concern. It is in this field that ample opportunity has been afforded for action, yet the Association has been content to remain silent. Is it possible that this is due to the fact that its President has for a considerable time been occupying a somewhat anomalous position as an Official member of the Legislative Council? We have heard that suggested in more than one quarter, at any rate.

But the past can take care of itself. We are more concerned about the present and the future, and we hail with much satisfaction the two resolutions of which Mr. Pollock has given notice. They are characterised by a recognition of the need for action in regard to the housing problem, and what is more to the point, they offer some very sane and practical suggestions. That the community here should find such intense difficulty in securing even the most ordinary housing accommodation, and that it should be necessary for the Admiralty to advise married officers of the Fleet and naval establishments not bring their wives and families out because of this shortage, is no credit to the authorities, whose elementary duty it is to see that the first needs of the community are fully met. There have been various schemes on the tapis for solving this problem, including the Government's own proposals, and Mr. Pollock's suggestion is that all these should be referred to the Public Works Committee of the Legislative Council, with power to that Committee to make suggestions as to the carrying out and financing of such schemes and as to the improvement of the methods of communication with the outlying districts which are sought to be developed by such schemes. That would appear to be a most sensible way of getting to business, for, besides preventing overlapping of ideas, it should draw from the Government some statement of general policy both in regard to housing itself and to the question of providing either tram or motor-bus services for Kowloon and other outlying parts of the Colony where there is ample scope for development but with which means of communication are at present very inadequate.

The other resolution which Mr. Pollock is bringing forward has more to do with accommodation for the business community than for those seeking houses in which to live. He urges the appointment of a Committee to consider and report upon the resumption by the Government of the military establishments on Queen's Road. We are all familiar with the constant complaints made by business people of their inability to secure office premises, and it is easy to see that, with things as they are, a big obstacle to the commercial expansion of the Colony is the consequence. With Hongkong's peculiar physical limitations, it is altogether unreasonable that large sites which ought to be occupied by business premises and houses also should be occupied by the Military Establishment, which could just as well, and probably better, fulfil its functions elsewhere. The same observation applies to the Naval Establishment also. Whilst the Colony was in its infancy there could be no serious objection to these sites being so occupied, but present-day conditions make it necessary, in the interests of business life, that more scope be given for office accommodation on the island. We can only hope that the Government will receive in a sympathetic manner the suggestions which Mr. Pollock's name and that of the Constitutional Reform Association have put forward.

NOTES & COMMENTS.

THE DEFENCE CORPS.

Such letters as that by "G.W.S." which we published yesterday, regarding the organising of the new Defence Corps, indicate what a widespread interest is being taken in the matter. Without actually discussing the proposals he put forward, which are well worthy of consideration by those upon whom will devolve the task of reconstruction, we will once more voice the hope felt by many that very great care will be taken to make the new Corps attractive to the returned men. It is impossible to come in contact with many of these men and not hear their expression of opinion as regards the officering of the new body. Let us straight away recognise the fact that the officers have done a very great deal of hard and extremely useful work deserving of the Colony's thanks, but let people also recognise that by reason of circumstances alone a goodly proportion of them have not had the facilities to render them completely competent to command a body of men which will include many with actual recent war experiences. Such a frank statement is not a reflection on the officers concerned, and they would be foolish to take it as such. It is an acknowledgment of facts. And those facts have to be faced and provided for before there can be any hope of attracting the returned men.

What is wanted is a reversal of the practice of giving commissions purely by selection as distinct from advancement as a reward for efficiency. There should be only one criterion in such matters, and that is that the men selected shall have been chosen because of their competency. To ascertain that competency there should be instituted examinations open to all ranks, and, in addition, some regard should be paid to a man's previous service in the regular forces. Only when men realise that they are offered by competent men of commissioned and non-commissioned rank will they display that keenness which should be a part of all such voluntary organisations. The returned men do not want all the say, but they are entitled to a deal of consideration.

A FOOLISH GAME.

In most of their festivities, the Chinese love a few crackers. They like the noise and possibly they like the smell. So long as this letting off of crackers is confined to reasonable limits it would be only the crusty old fogies who would grumble, but there is a degree of reasonableness in cracker-firing and firework-exploding that has been exceeded during the holidays, to the annoyance of not a few residents. When there is allowed a dangerous throwing about of small packets of gravel that detonate on concussion, it is in a word a public nuisance and danger. All over the town on Christmas Eve, and to a considerable extent in Kowloon during the holidays, there was a veritable orgy of this senseless throwing. It was considered funny to explode one against a wall in front of a passing pedestrian, regardless of the danger to eyesight that spattering gravel is; and similarly people riding in rickshas and motor cars were considered fit objects of practical joking. And it was not Chinese who were the only offenders. We are all aware of who it was and perhaps it would be as well to leave it there. If anyone wishes to work off his high spirits by indulging in this throwing of miniature bombs, he should leave the public streets safe for those who have to use them. It isn't much to ask, and the only thing that we regret is that we have had to ask it at all.

ABOUT FLOWERS.

Flower Street is a picture these days and over the holiday was especially so. The magnificent displays of chrysanthemums, roses, and many other flowers of which, quite honestly, we don't know the names, were a feature worthy of a visit, purely for the joy of seeing. And the price! Thank goodness that the flower-sellers of Hongkong have not turned profiteers yet. For a few cents one could have made the dullest room gay with flowers of every hue and grace. It is well said that "familiarity breeds contempt," and we of Hongkong have become so familiar with the sight that Wyndham Street daily gives us that we pass along without a second glance. What would the Christmas Eve be such a time of the year for a flower-seller to make such a display? It is a pity that the flower-sellers will soon give place to other scarcely less gorgeous varieties and on throughout the season there will be, as always, a lavish display of bloom. It is not often that one is tempted to pause in the usual run of things to refer to flower-sellers, but, happily, reminders do sometimes come of what a lot Hongkong owes to those who grow and sell these beautiful plants.

DAY BY DAY.

A MAN HAS NEVER FAILED UNTIL HE IS WILLING TO CONFESS IT.

The Kowloon Dock Ball takes place to-night.

The report of the Rev. J. Kirk Maconachie's sermon of Sunday morning will appear in tomorrow's issue.

Last week's health return shows one fatal case each of small-pox and diphtheria, both victims being Chinese.

The marriage of Mr. C. P. F. James to Miss Rosina Mitchell is to take place at the Union Church on January 20th.

Five or six men at 10 p.m. yesterday fell upon a Chinese who was returning to his home at 3, Tam Lane, and relieved him of his pocket money, which was said to amount to \$75. The robbers escaped.

The Hongkong Tramway Company's receipts for the week ended December 27, totalled \$13,789, which is a decrease of \$250 over the same week last year. For the 52 weeks of the year, the takings total \$717,560, which represents an increase of \$33,659 over the same weeks in 1918.

A report has reached the Police of an armed robbery carried out by four men on a match at Lanawan Village, Stanley District at 10 o'clock last night. Armed with daggers, these robbers entered the shed, the door of which was left unbarred, and bound up the two inmates. Clothing and money to the total value of \$25.60 were stolen before the robbers made their escape.

Alterations are now being carried out on the building to the east of that occupied on the ground floor, by Messrs. Gaudet, Price and Co., which will shortly be pulled down and a handsome structure erected in its place, complete with lift and other modern office conveniences. The Bank of China, which has acquired the lease of the property, will, on the completion of the new building, move into the ground floor, whilst the upper stories will be used as offices.

Mr. Sydney Mannering of the Vanity Fair Company (which opens here on Saturday next) has had a varied stage experience. He began his career with a troupe of high merit, the Moody-Mannering Opera Company. After several years with them he turned to musical comedy, appearing in the original cast of *Floradora*. He is responsible for the production of *Vanity Fair* and the remarkable success which the production has had bears witness to his able direction.

A Chinese was to-day summoned by Inspector Cashman before Mr. N. L. Smith on a charge of using scales which operated adversely against his customers. Not liking the position into which he was put by his profiteering propensities, this man induced a foki to take on the blame. The foki in his turn shifted the blame on to another person who was not in a position to answer the charge—a man who had died recently. The intention of the defendant to avoid the charge was obvious, and his Worship ordered him to pay over a \$5 fine.

The Triad Society will have to carry on its operations without the assistance of nine of its stalwart adherents, for this number of men, notorious in aspect, were to-day arranged in a line before Mr. N. L. Smith at the Police Court and each was ordered a cessation of his activities—at any rate for a period of six months. Evidence was forthcoming to show how these men were found congregated together in the Club's quarters on the first floor of No. 3, Po Tak Street, Saling-pai. Books, documents, chopsticks and other articles were produced to show the active existence of the organization.

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AN ISLANDER'S DIARY.

(BY "AJAX.")

Christmas is over and it seems to have been a very quiet one. Times are changed in regard to the celebration of Christmas here and the change is for the better. In days gone by, the celebration was marked by a big consumption of alcohol. The event now-a-days is given distinction by taking breakfast, playing tennis or golf and finishing up with dinner. "Olo" custom is still observed but not to a large extent. The temperature has been falling and it has been growing colder. With all my distaste for the obvious and conventional, it was impossible to begin this Diary without wishing my readers a Happy New Year, but let me hasten to assure them that I do so with genuine feelings, and the signs of the times are all in favour of peace to men of good-will. The only ink mark on an otherwise cloudless local sky is the pending arbitration between the Guilds and the Shipowners' Protection Association. The strike was so farcical in its origin that it seems impossible to imagine the recalcitrant officers and engineers and the owners of coastal boats submitting to arbitration. Sydney Smith, passing through a by-street behind Saint Paul's, heard two women abusing each other from opposite houses. "They will never agree," said the wit; "they argue from different premises." By the same token, the Guilds and the owners do not seem as if they will agree, as they also argue from different premises.

The week has been void of any unusual incidents. The increase of crime and the difficulty in arresting the offenders are baffling the authorities and giving them sleepless nights. Ten days ago, I hear, there were parades of the members of the police force—European, Chinese and Indian sergeants, inspectors, constables and detectives—at the offices of Mr. Hallifax and also in the Police Station, when the men were told in plain words that the present condition of the Force must improve and were warned that there must be an improvement in the detection and prevention of crime, and if this were not effected within a month the authorities would consider the advisability of securing fresh drafts to replace some of the men. This may have a salutary effect upon a certain section of the Force and help to reduce the lawlessness that prevails at present in the Colony.

I have often felt what a remarkable factor for good the Chinese Members of the Legislative Council could be if they paid periodical calls to Chinese tenements and in an inquisitive way enquired from the landlords the occupation of the tenants and their previous history. This would make landlords careful in the selection of their tenants, and thus stem the tide of undesirable into this Colony. The Chinese Members of Council could be a factor for greater good if they only took a more practical interest in the affairs of the public. I do not wish to insinuate that little is being done by them in this connection. Their advice may be sought by the Local Government at times. They should strive to be not only the representatives of their community but their leaders, and inspire awe and respect. The field is wide and there is plenty of work for anyone willing to discharge it in a sensible way. The services rendered by past Chinese Members of the Legislative Council cannot be adequately expressed in words. The records of the Hongkong Government would reveal this. A seat on the Legislative Council carries with it certain demands and self-sacrifice and a spirit of co-operation with the authorities in the successful carrying out of reforms, etc.

I do not suggest that our Chinese Members of Council do not fulfil all this, but, to all accounts, they are not always imbued with a spirit of initiative and a sense of originality. The Government, I dare say, often seeks the advice of these Members, but that is not sufficient to make their usefulness felt. They should undertake campaign work on their own and try to see how they can help the Government. In no better channel could they direct their energies than in an attempt to help the Police in their campaign against crime.

CRICKET.

GARRISON v. NAVY.

As a result of the first day's play in the above match, the Navy led on the first innings by 53 runs.

The Garrison's first venture produced 157 (of which we gave the details yesterday), whilst the Navy, after a poor beginning, knocked up 210. Pay-Lieut. Robinson being top scorer with a well-played 53. With twenty minutes still to spare, the Garrison again went to the wickets and when stumps were drawn the score stood at six, with the opening pair still batting.

NAVY—1ST INNINGS.

Lieut.-Commr. Greig, b Davies	2
Lieut. Franks, b Davies	16
Lieut. Jones, b Bryson	7
Pay-Lt.-Commr. Holborn, b Davies	29
Pay-Lt. Robinson, c Bryson, b Edwards	53
Rev. F. G. B. Hastings, c and E. G. Kennett, b Edwards	26
Lieut. Dolphin, run out	5
Lieut. Caswell, c Beavan, b Edwards	21
Lieut. Lambert, c and b Davies	17
Lieut. McNair, not out	16
Extras	18
Total	210

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War souvenir collectors have had their opportunity in Paris during the last few days (says the London Evening News). There has been an auction sale of furniture used by the Peace Conference delegates. Mr. Balfour's apartment, where many informal meetings took place, has been dismantled, and the furniture sold included chairs on which the "Big Three" and Mr. Balfour sat. These were sold privately at prices ranging from 660 francs to 1020 francs. Mr. Balfour's sofa, in blue leather, fetched 2000 francs, and an easy chair, in which he often rested after the labours of Conference, went for 3070 francs. His mahogany bedroom suite brought 6650 francs.

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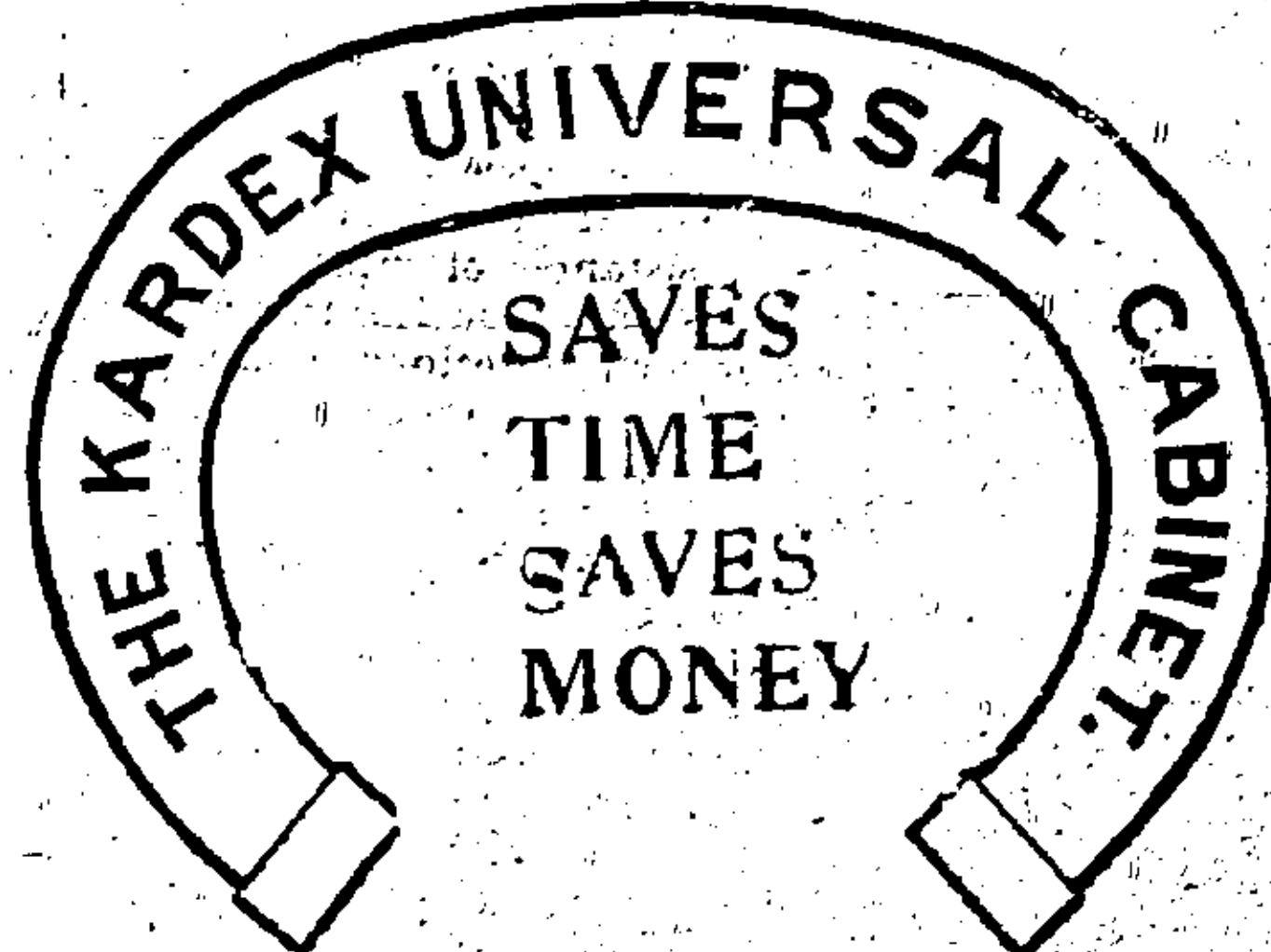
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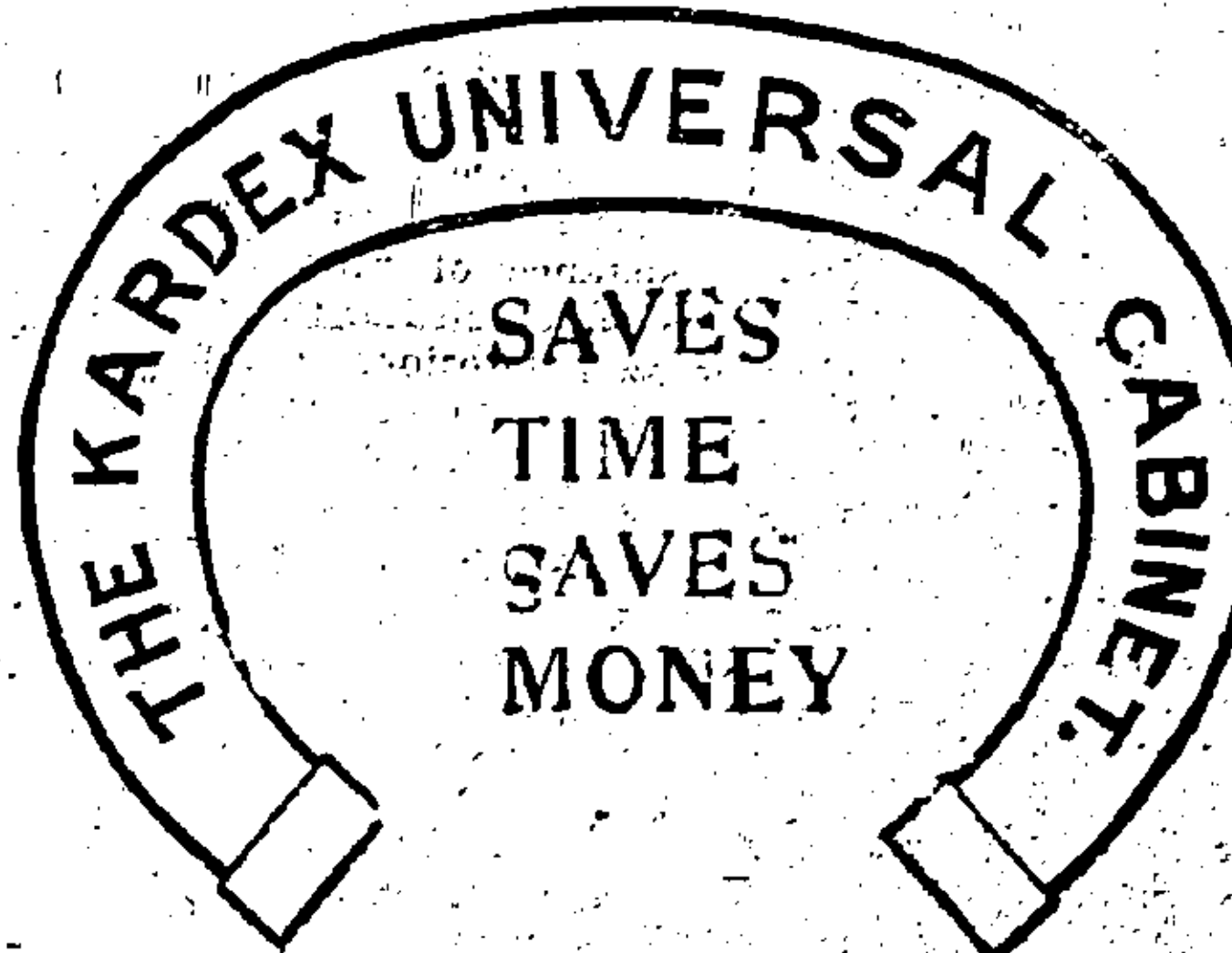
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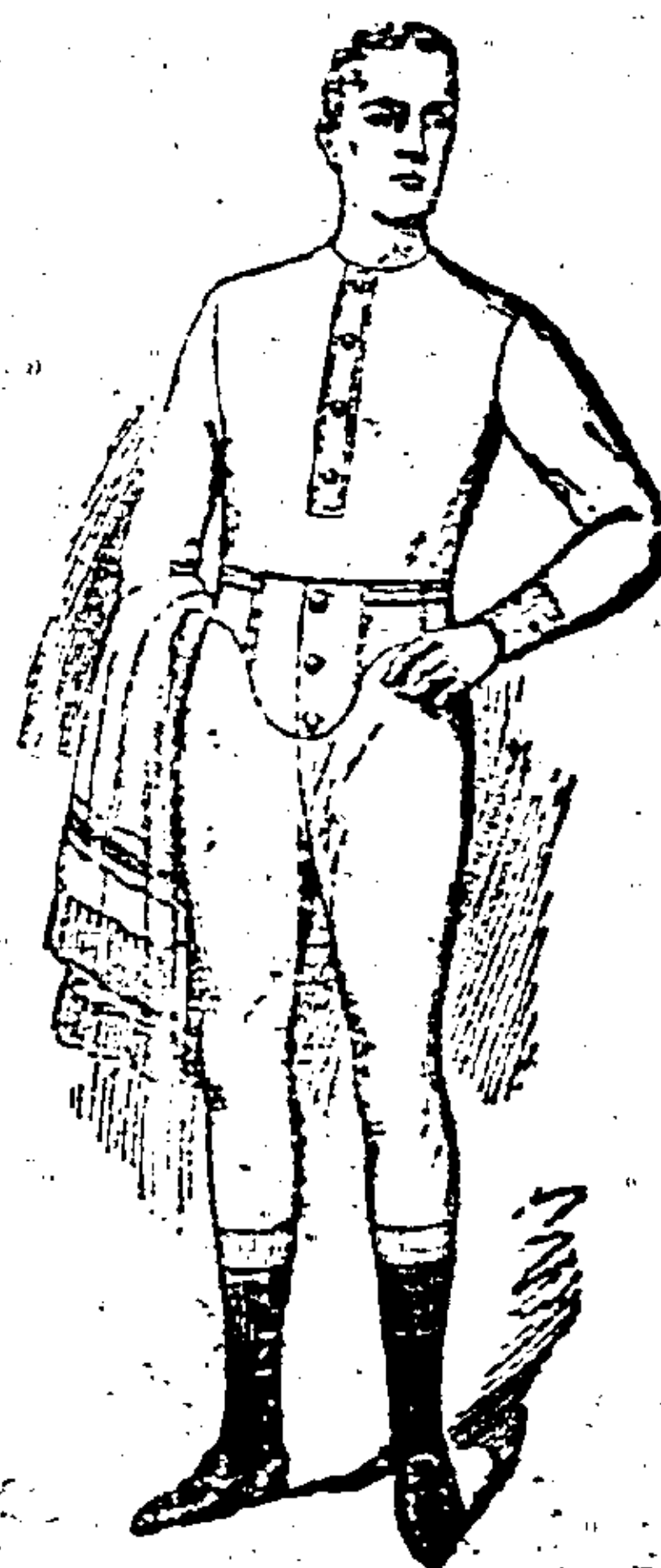
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EASTERN	4,000	11th Feb.	

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Empress of Japan	Mar. 17	Apr. 7
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Empress of Asia	Apr. 8	Apr. 26
Empress of Russia	May 6	May 24
Empress of Japan	May 12	June 2
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AKI MARU ... Saturday, 16th Jan. at 11 a.m.

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AUSTRIAN LLOYD RE-STARTS.
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A NEW SERVICE.

The Netherlands Steamship Company and the Rotterdam Lloyd have decided to open a regular monthly service between Hamburg, Shanghai and Yokohama. These companies were recently admitted to the Eastern Conference.

BARS ON AMERICAN SHIPS.

The American Shipping Board has decided to instal bars on American steamers, which will be opened as soon as the ships pass the three-mile limit. The American vessels find that otherwise they are unable to compete with foreign rivals.

PACIFIC RATES AND FREIGHT.

At a conference at San Francisco on December 11 at which Trans-Pacific Shipping Interest and Pacific Coast Shippers were represented, the questions of freight rates, the accumulation of freight on piers and the adjustment of bills of lading were discussed and remedies were planned.

FOR THE CHINA STATION.

Two new type of river gunboats, the Moth and Mantis, are to be added to the China Station. Both have been built during the war and have seen service at Archangel and on the Tigris. They are powerfully engine and carry six-inch guns. The light cruiser Cairo has also been posted to the China Station.

CAPT. FRYATT'S SHIP.

Brussels. - According to the Etote Belge, the Prize Court recently adjudicated that the British vessel Brussels, on which Captain Fryatt was taken prisoner by the Germans, was a lawful prize of Belgium, but M. Reukin, Minister of Railways, has informed the British authorities that, owing to the historic interest attaching to the vessel, Belgium will be very happy to return her to England.

PORTUGUESE SHIPPING.

During the war the Portuguese obtained 243,000 tons of German shipping, of which 87,700 tons were sunk by German submarines. Of the remainder, 85,000 tons have been allotted to the firm of Furness, Withy & Co. and 70,000 tons to the "Transportes Maritimos." In the year 1917-18, Furness, Withy & Co. paid the Portuguese Government £1,170,000, and in 1918-19 it paid £315,530.

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TRAINING FOR THE SEA.

The report of the Committee appointed to prepare a draft national scheme of training for the sea service was issued recently. The Committee recommend that a National Corporation should be established charged with the duty of supervising and administering the scheme of training for the sea service. Such training should be confined to deck ratings and to prospective engine-room ratings and stewards who enter the sea service at sixteen years of age. The primary object of the education in training institutions should be to give a sound general education, concurrently with technical instruction for sea life, but for this a sufficient number of sea-going craft would have to be made available in which boys could be exercised at sea. The new State institutions should be residential with facilities for day-boys. The provision of special training of not less than six months for boys who have attended an ordinary school until fifteen or fifteen and a-half is also recommended for consideration with the payment of maintenance wants to the parents of day boys at training institutions or of boys at elementary schools who have given a guarantee of their intention to enter the mercantile marine. It is also urged that the co-operation of local education authorities should be secured, and the machinery of the public elementary school utilised for the recruiting of boys for training. The capital cost is estimated at from £1,062,500 to £2,700,000 and the annual expenditure at £200,000.

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STRAITS & Calcutta	Lalsang	Thur., 1st Jan. at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Hangsang	Fri., 2nd Jan. at 6 a.m.
MANILA	Yuensang	Fri., 2nd Jan. at 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI	Wingsang	Sun., 4th Jan. at 8 p.m.
KOBE	Fooksang	Fri., 9th Jan. at 5 p.m.

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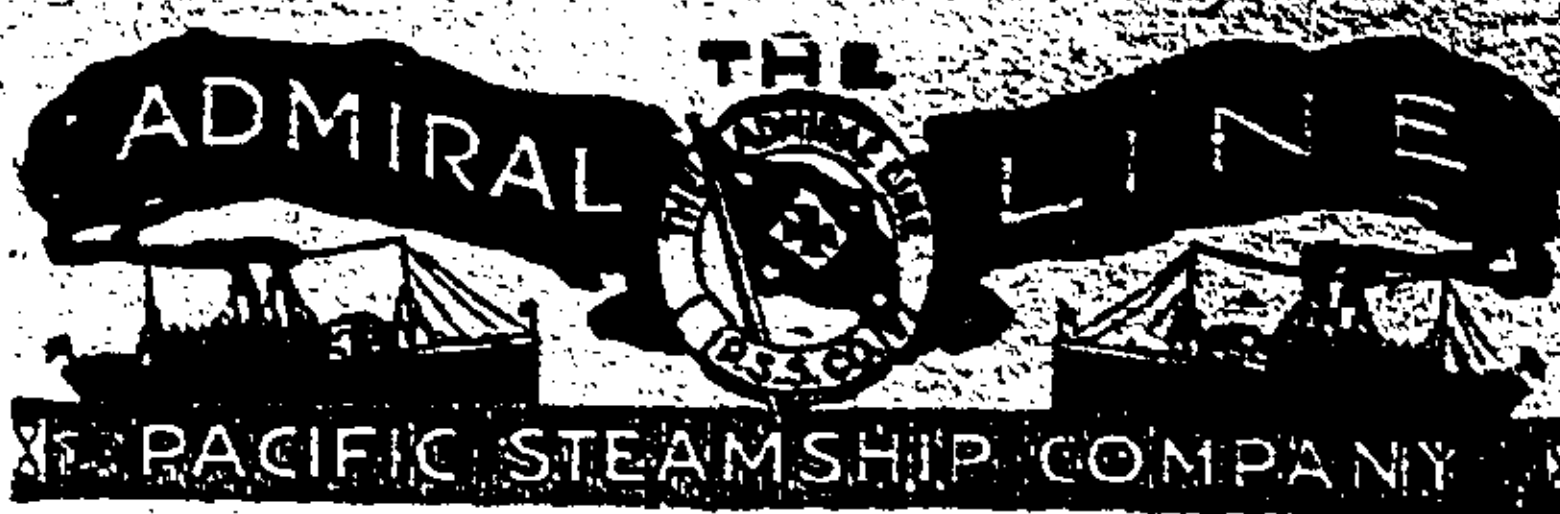
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"ATREUS"	via Suez	28th January.
"ARIOSTO"	via Suez	10th February.

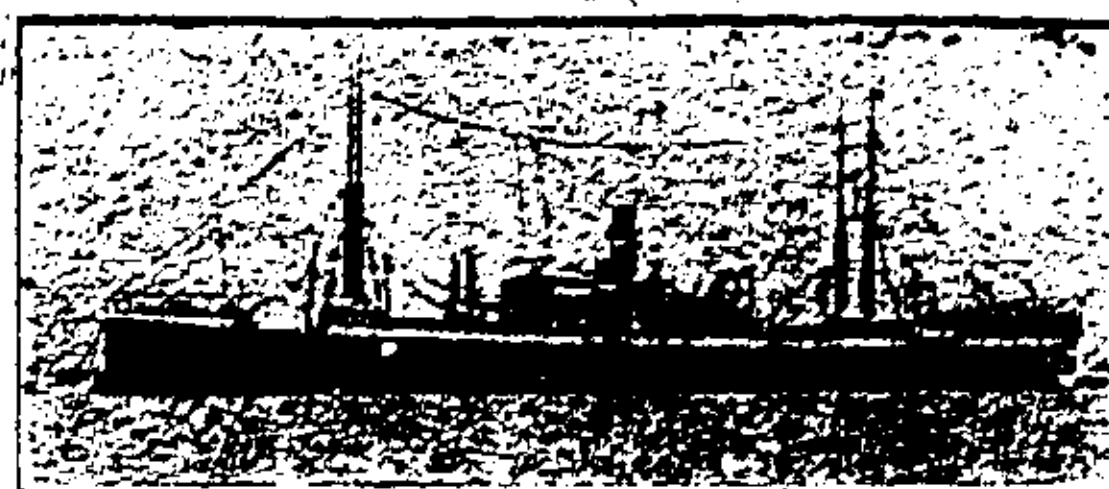
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The N. Y. K. s.s. ATSUTA M. (European Line) left London for this port via the Suez Canal on the 13th Dec., and is expected here on the 19th Jan.

The N. Y. K. s.s. YAMAGATA MARU (Bombay Line) left Bombay for this port direct on the 17th Dec., and is expected here on the 4th Jan.

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The R. M. S. EMPRESS OF RUSSIA arrived at Shanghai on the 27th Dec. leaves there 29th Dec. and is due at Nagasaki on 30th Dec.

The P. & O. s.s. DUNERA left Singapore for this port on the 24th Dec. at 3 p.m. and is due here on the 30th Dec. at about 4 p.m.

The P. & O. s.s. MADRAS left Singapore for this port on the 26th Dec. at p.m. and is due here on the 1st January.

The N. Y. K. s.s. KAMO (European Line) left Singapore for this port on the 26th Dec. and is expected here on the 1st Jan.

The Apar Line s.s. GREGORY APCAR left Singapore for the Port on the 28th instant at a.m. and is due here on the 4th Jan. 1920.

The P. & O. s.s. SOMALI left Singapore for this port on the 29th December at 8 a.m. with the outward English Mails, and is due here on the 4th January at 8 a.m.

The s.s. CHINA arrived at San Francisco on Wednesday, Dec. 17th.

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NEW YEAR.

Dinner Dances will be held on New Year's Eve, Wednesday, 31st December.

Special Table d'Hôte Menus will be provided in the GRILL ROOM at \$3.50 per head, or in the MAIN DINING ROOM at \$2.50 per head.

Patrons are advised to book early as accommodation is limited. All tables previously engaged and not cancelled by mid-day on the day to which such reservation applies will be charged for, whether occupied or not.

Bookings may be made at the HOTEL MAIN OFFICE.

J. H. TAGGART,

Manager.

VESSELS LOADING.

EUROPE, U.S.A., ETC.

Durban M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 30
Arabia M.	O. S. K.	Dec. 31
West Cajoot S. & D.	1st Half Jan.	
Ecuador	P. M. Co.	Jan. 1
Kasagar	P. & O.	Jan. 2
Chicago M.	O. S. K.	Jan. 2
Monteagle	C. P. O. S.	Jan. 3
Sumatra M.	O. S. K.	Jan. 4
Tokushima	N. Y. K.	Jan. 4
Knight Templar	B. L.	Jan. 5
Wakamatsu M.	N. Y. K.	Jan. 5
Edmore	A. L.	Jan. 6
Wawona	A. L.	Jan. 7
Penang M.	N. Y. K.	Jan. 7
City Spokane	A. L.	Jan. 7
West Inskip	P. M. Co.	Jan. 8
Kitano M.	N. Y. K.	Jan. 9
West Hepburn R. D.	Co.	Jan. 10
Dunera	P. & O.	Jan. 12
Tancred	R. D. Co.	Jan. 12
Taiyuan	B. & S.	Jan. 13
E. of Japan	C. P. O. S.	Jan. 14
Grace D.	R. D. Co.	Jan. 15
Shinyo M.	T. K. K.	Jan. 15
Arabian Prince S. T. Co.		Jan. 15
Oanfa	B. L.	Jan. 15
Iconium	A. L.	Jan. 20
St. Francis	B. L.	Jan. 20
M. S. Dollar	R. D. Co.	Jan. 20
Katori M.	N. Y. K.	Jan. 21
E. of Asia	C. P. O. S.	Jan. 22
Inaba M.	N. Y. K.	Jan. 23
Siberia M.	T. K. K.	Jan. 24
St. Albans	P. & O.	Jan. 25
West Conoh	P. M. Co.	Jan. 25
Colombia	P. M. Co.	Jan. 28
Atreus	B. L.	Jan. 28
China	C. M. Co.	Jan. 31
Borneo M.	O. S. K.	B. of Jan.
Nikko M.	N. Y. K.	M. of Jan.
Toyama M.	N. Y. K.	M. of Jan.
Africa	D. & Co. B. of Feb.	
Crosskeys	A. L.	Feb. 1
Sawa M.	N. Y. K.	Feb. 2
West Harts	R. D. Co.	Feb. 2
Persia M.	T. K. K.	Feb. 3
Stanley D.	R. D. Co.	Feb. 6
Changsha	B. & S.	Feb. 7
Ariosto	B. L.	Feb. 10
Eastern	P. & O.	Feb. 11
Matoppo	B. L.	Feb. 15
Korea M.	T. K. K.	Feb. 23
Venezuela	P. M. Co.	Feb. 25
Tenyo M.	T. K. K.	Mar. 11

JAPAN, COAST PORTS, ETC.

Namsang	J. M. Co.	Dec. 30
Tenshin M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 30
Huichow	B. & S.	Dec. 30
Dunera	P. & O.	Dec. 31
Wosang	J. M. Co.	Dec. 31
Keishin M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 31
Shisen M.	O. S. K.	Dec. 31
Sangola	P. & O.	Dec. 31
Dunera	P. & O.	Dec. 31
Iohang	B. & S.	Jan. 1
Laisang	J. M. Co.	Jan. 1
Faming	B. & S.	Jan. 1
Kamo M.	N. Y. K.	Jan. 2
Sosha M.	O. S. K.	Jan. 2
Coaxet	A. L.	Jan. 2
Haiching	D. L. Co.	Jan. 2
Hangsang	J. M. Co.	Jan. 2
Yunsang	J. M. Co.	Jan. 2
Madras	P. & O.	Jan. 2
Tean	B. & S.	Jan. 3
Wingsang	J. M. Co.	Jan. 4
Tjitaroen	J. C. J. L.	Jan. 5
Kwongsang	J. M. Co.	Jan. 5
Quinnebaug	D. L. Co.	Jan. 6
Liangchow	B. & S.	Jan. 6
Jarsun	B. & S.	Jan. 6
Fooksang	J. M. Co.	Jan. 9
Aki M.	N. Y. K.	Jan. 16
Tjikalak	J. C. J. L.	Jan. 19
Siam M.	O. S. K.	M. of Jan.
Tamno M.	O. S. K.	M. of Jan.

TIDE TABLE.

23rd Dec. 1919, to 4th Jan. 1920

Days of Week.	Day of Month.	High Water		Low Water		Height.
		Hongkong Mean Time	P. M.	Hongkong Mean Time	P. M.	
Mo-19		h. m.	h. m.			
		m. 0 55	5 1	m. 8 14	4 14	2 2
		2 51		7 52		3 6
Tu-30		m. 1 5	5 5	m. 9 5	4 5	2 7
		3 45		9 48		3 7
We-31		m. 2 39	6 39	m. 10 39	5 39	2 8
		4 39		11 39		3 8
Th-1		m. 3 23	7 23	m. 11 23	6 23	2 9
		5 23		12 23		3 9
Fr-2		m. 4 7	8 7	m. 12 7	7 7	2 10
		6 7				3 10
Sa-3		m. 4 51	8 51	m. 12 51	7 51	2 11
		6 51				3 11
Su-4		m. 5 35	9 35	m. 1 35	8 35	2 12
		7 35				3 12

FANNIE WARD IN THE PROFITEERS

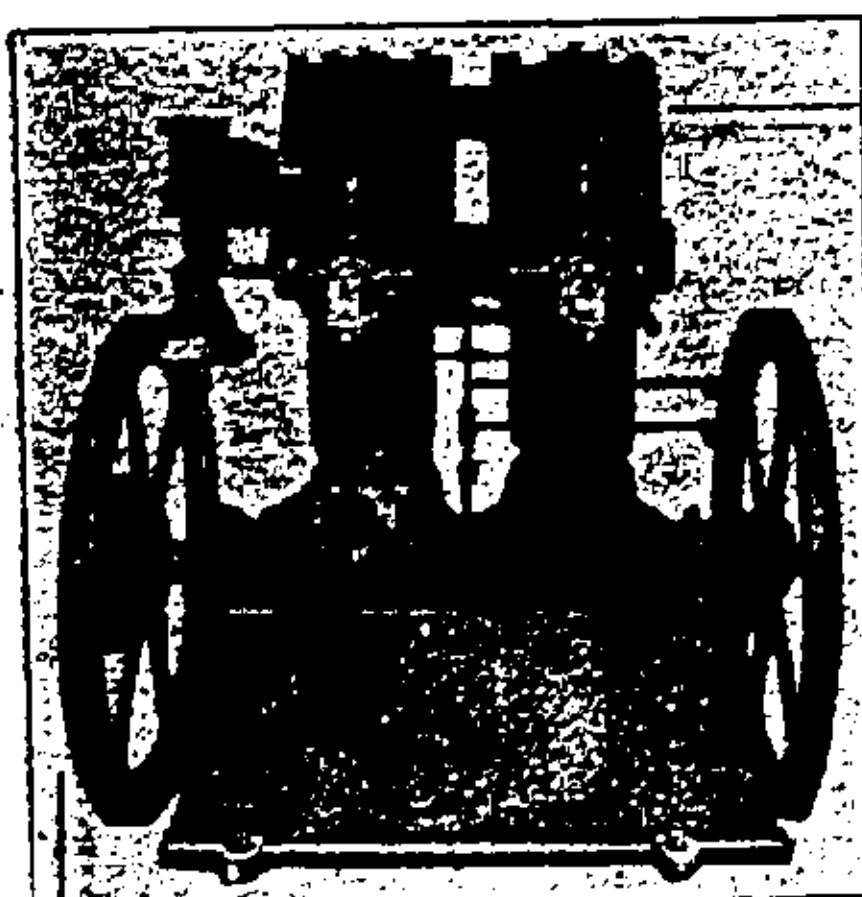
PATHE PRESENTS
FANNIE WARD
IN HER LATEST STARRING VEHICLE
AN AFTER-THE-WAR DRAMA
IN FIVE THRILLING ACTS:—

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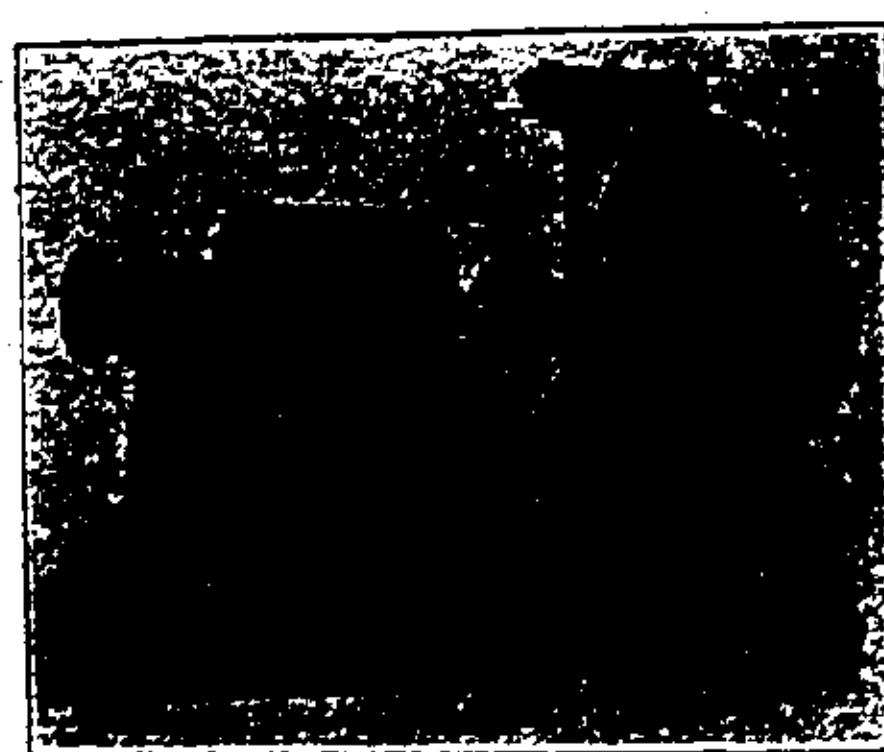


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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S. S. "WESTCODDOA."
From SAN FRANCISCO
via SHANGHAI.

The above mentioned vessel having arrived from the above mentioned Ports, consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their cargo will be landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co. Ltd., and stored at consignees' risk.

Consignees of cargo are hereby notified that they must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of the Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before bills of lading can be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on December 27th at 10 a.m., and December 29th at 10 a.m.

All claims must be presented within a week of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized.

No claim will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns and all goods remaining undelivered after December 29th, will be subject to rent.

No fire insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

PACIFIC MAIL S.S. CO.
As Operators, U.S. Shipping Board.

Hongkong, 24th December, 1919.

STRUTHERS & DIXON INC

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SEATTLE

THE Steamship

"BRAVECOUER."

having arrived from Seattle via ports, on December 23rd, 1919, consignees are hereby notified that their cargo is being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra-hazardous godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, and stored at consignees' risk.

Consignees of cargo must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports & Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the Godowns where it will be examined at 10 a.m. on December 30th, 1919, by the Company's surveyors, Messrs. Carmichael & Clarke.

All claims must be presented within thirty days of the steamer's arrival here, after which they cannot be recognized. No claims will be recognized after the goods have left the Godowns, and cargo undelivered on and after December 30th, 1919, will be subject to rent.

No fire insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignatures immediately.

STRUTHERS & DIXON, INC.
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1st floor, Powell's Building,
12, Des Voeux Road, Ck.

Hongkong, 24th December, 1919.

CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE Steamship

"BENLAWAS."

From ANTWERP, MIDDLESBRO, LONDON & STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godowns Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 3rd Jan., will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Under-signed on or before the 10th Jan., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 3rd Jan., at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 27th December, 1919.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

H. M. H. NEMAZEE.

From BOMBAY & SINGAPORE.

The Steamer

"INNAMINCKA"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company, Limited, whence, and/or from the wharves, delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 27th inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined. Claims against the steamer must be presented within 10 days of arrival otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

H. M. H. NEMAZEE,
Agent.
Hongkong, 20th December, 1919.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

H. M. H. NEMAZEE.

FROM PENANG & SINGAPORE.

The Steamer

"HALVARD"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company, Limited, whence, and/or from the wharves, delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 30th inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns where they will be examined. Claims against the steamer must be presented within 10 days of arrival otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

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Johnson's Liquid Prepared Wax cleans and polishes with one operation. It will quickly and permanently remove that bluish, cloudy appearance from your Piano, Victrola, and Mahogany Furniture. Just the polish and protection you need for your floors and linoleum.

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TO-DAY'S PICTURES.



The Imperial crest being removed from the former German Emperor's carriage of state, sold at public auction in Berlin recently.



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ADMIRAL PHILIP ANDREWS

Left to right:—The Italian Premier, the Italian Minister of Foreign Affairs, and Rear Admiral Andrews, of the U.S. Navy, who have been deliberating on the Fiume affair.



Premier Ignace Jan Paderewski of Poland, meeting in Paris members of the Kosciuszko Squadron, a unit composed of Allied aviators who have volunteered their services to Poland and are now wearing the uniform of officers in the Polish Army.



The above suit of armour for man and horse, dated 1527, has been acquired by the U. S. Metropolitan Museum of Art. It is engraved throughout, heavily overlaid with gold and found too large for a man weighing 225 pounds and over six feet tall.



Ex-Field Marshal von Hindenburg out for a stroll. The inset shows his wife, Frau Paul von Hindenburg.



Princess Tarhata Karam (left), niece of the Sultan of Sulu, and her friend, Carmen Aguinaldo, daughter of the famous Filipino insurgent, who have recently left the Philippines to attend college in America.

DOINGS OF THE DUFFS

Tom Didn't Have a Chance to Explain.

BY ALLMAN.



